



# NEWSLETTER

Friday 19<sup>th</sup> January 2024

Happy Friday everyone and I hope that you are all warm and well. It has been another busy week at St. Peter's Bratton with lots of fantastic learning and visits from the Open the Book Team. I have enjoyed getting to know pupils, parents and staff more and have had many lovely welcome messages both in person and via email. This is greatly appreciated. Also, this week the pupils have had a chance to answer questions (age appropriate) about school and keeping safe which allows me to find out about every child within the school and their views and opinions. Don't worry, I won't be leaving you out, as your thoughts and opinions are very important too. This will follow next week.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Pupil Views Survey Class: \_\_\_\_\_  
January 2024

Year/Time	Yes	No
1) I like school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
2) I know our school rules.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
3) I feel safe at school.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
4) I like learning in class.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
5) I enjoy playtimes.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
6) I know what child on child abuse is.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
7) I know what bullying means.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
8) I feel like I am being bullied.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>
9) The adults sort things out when I tell them something is wrong.	<input type="radio"/>	<input type="radio"/>

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## Principal's Award

On Monday during Collective Worship for Reception to Year 2 (Next Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January KS2) we celebrated the pupils who received the Principal's Award. This was such a beautiful time to celebrate all the wonderful achievements and those getting their awards were beaming with pride. Here is the list of pupils who have won the award for last term.



## Principals Award R-Y2

- R01 - Olivia Bruce
- R02 - Ewan Charlie
- 1R1 - Zayna Grayson
- 1R2 - Mia Elijah
- 2R1 - Toby April
- 2R2 - Nathaniel Martha

## George and Teddy



As you are aware George and Teddy are now officially part of the school team. Please remember that if you DO NOT want your child to be involved return the slip to the main office by Friday 26<sup>th</sup> January, 2024.

Here are a few things for humans to remember -



**Dos and Don'ts For Humans**

- No shouting, use calm voices at all times - **NO OVERCROWDING OF THE DOGS**
- No calling the dog's name as this confuses them
- No giving human food
- Greet the dogs in a calm manner
- Don't allow jumping - **COMMAND** - Off and Dog's name.
- Ask before stroking dogs - Stroke on back not head.
- Dog should be calm to be stroked
- No more than two people to pet dog at the same time.

**THE DOG MENTOR**  
Building Characters

St Peter's Bratton  
Church of England Academy

## Young Voices

We want to wish all our KS2 pupils who are attending Young Voices the best as it will be a phenomenal experience. I (with other members of staff) will remain at school with the pupils until collection as I appreciate that getting out of the car park can take quite a while. Tickets will be sent home today. Remember that children who attend this event may have a 10am start on Wednesday to support with the late bedtime. We are expecting very tired children on the Wednesday but it will all be completely worth it as they make those unforgettable memories.



### Would you like to join our Team

St. Peter's Bratton has such a wonderful team of staff and we are currently looking to add to this. We are looking to recruit new lunchtime supervisors who will support our amazing children during their lunchtime. If you are interested, please call at the school office to collect an application pack. We look forward to welcoming you to our team.



### Water bottles

There have been some pupils who have received Air Up bottles for Christmas and parents have been enquiring if they are allowed them in school. As a school we are concerned with hydration of children and understand the importance therefore these bottles are allowed in school. I am aware of the cost of these and want to make you aware that the school will not be held responsible if anything happens to these.



### Can you help?

Did you receive a hamper over Christmas and are not sure what to do with the basket? Do you have any wicker baskets at home that you no longer need? If the answer to either of these questions is Yes and these are in good condition, then you could help. We are looking to source some baskets to use around the school for a variety of reasons. If you are able to supply these, please send into school either with your child to pass to Mr Wilkes or leave in the front office. Many thanks for your support and kindness with this matter.



Have a great weekend and make sure that you wrap up warmly if you are going out.

See you all on Monday 😊



Mrs Welsh xx

## Year 5

Children in Year 5 are really enjoying their work in English. We have started reading a book called 'Curiosity' by Markus Motum; It tells the story of a Mars Rover which landed in 2012. The children have been practising using formal language to write a proposal to send a robot to Mars and have even named their own rover. We think the ideas for these are super: Promise, Progress, Pursuit, Inspire, Prosper and Flourish are just a few. Linked to our work in English, Y5 have also been learning about the planets in our solar system – the enthusiasm for learning more and sharing existing knowledge has been lovely to see. We are looking forward to the next three weeks when we will be learning more.



# WELCOME to year 4!

We've had a busy start to the new term, learning about perimeter and length in maths and types of sentences through our English work. The children have also started their swimming sessions and are learning how to play the recorder on a Friday.

## DT

Please may you bring in an oversized old t-shirt for our DT project. Thank you to those who have done so already. The children will be making an upcycled apron using their t-shirts. It would also be very helpful if you could help your child with their sewing skills ready for when they attach their pockets to their aprons. RED TED ART on YouTube offers tutorials on running stitch, back stitch, blanket stitch and over stitch. The children will be practicing these within class, but any additional learning would be beneficial.

[Running Stitch How To - Basic Sewing \(Hand Embroidery & Hand Sewing\) \(youtube.com\)](#)

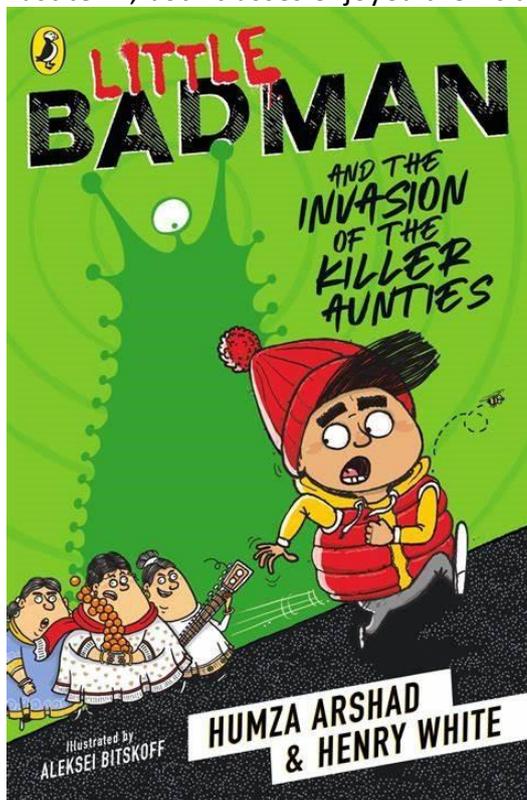
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[Blanket Stitch How To - Basic Sewing \(Embroidery & Hand Sewing\) \(youtube.com\)](#)

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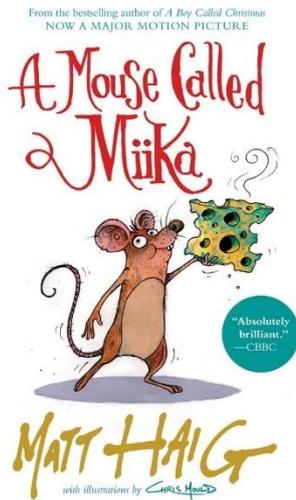
## Book Talk

Last term, both classes enjoyed their class texts. Here are some of their reviews.



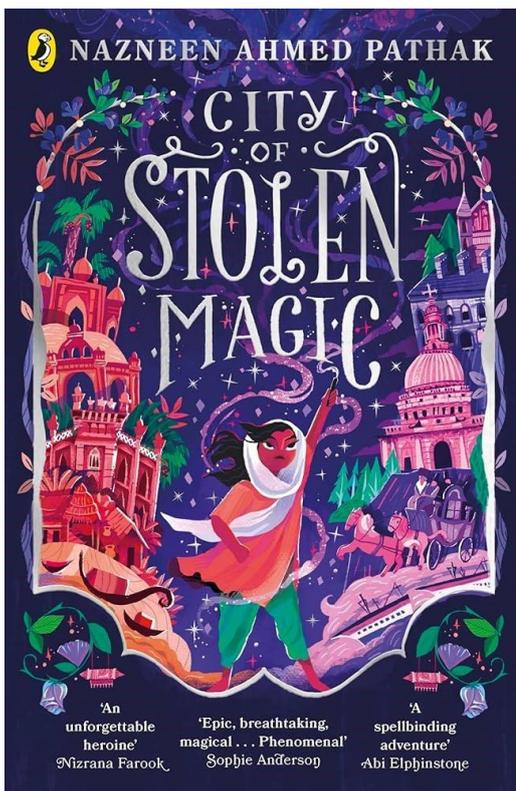
I really liked it. It was really funny and my kind of book - Max

I liked how it had humour on different things that you don't always expect. - Ashleigh



It was a very Christmassy book and had a very nice ending. – Ashleigh

It was a really nice kind of book. Miika was quite brave and gets “drimicked” with magical powers. – Max and Ashleigh



It was a really good book and had a very interesting plot. – Emily B

5 stars. I love fantasy books like this! – Bobby

I didn't like the ending as they left it as a cliffhanger. I would rate it 4 stars. – JK

I would rate it 5 stars because it's very fascinating and it has suspense.

I like this book because whenever you finish the chapter, it's a surprise for the next time you read it. - Araceli

## Computing

We are currently learning how to record our own podcasts. If you have any old, wired, working headphones or microphones at home, we would be very grateful of donations so that we can set up a recording studio in the wing. We hope to be able to share our reading inspired podcasts with parents before the end of the term.

Thank you, for your continued support.



## Christingle Service 2024

*It's that time of year when we hold our annual Christingle service. It is a candle-lit, festive celebration that's perfect for bringing*

*communities together. Christingles are made from an orange decorated with red tape, sweets and a candle. Ask your children what the orange, red ribbon, dried fruits and sweets and candle represent. This year we are sending home a Christingle cardboard candle money box so that the children can collect any spare change for The Children's Society. [Celebrate Christingle | The Children's Society \(childrensociety.org.uk\)](https://www.childrensociety.org.uk) It's such an atmospheric and joyful occasion that our children here at St Peter's look forward to and remember for years. The Christingle candle shaped recyclable cardboard collection pot you can put together at home. This candle will come with instructions to help you put it together. Please send your candle money boxes into school by Friday 2<sup>nd</sup> February. Kind regards, Miss Crossland*



## Year 1 D&T

Year 1 are beginning our D&T work next week.

Please could all children bring one box (cereal, tissue, shoe, biscuit etc) and one cardboard tube (toilet roll, kitchen roll) into school on Monday 22<sup>nd</sup> January for use in the project.

Thank you.



## House points

This week	Caer Caradoc	Haughmond	Stiperstones	Wrekin
	<b>438</b>	<b>423</b>	<b>364</b>	<b>518</b>
So far this term...	<b>1339</b>	<b>1428</b>	<b>1198</b>	<b>1517</b>

### Weekly winners!

Well done, Wrekin!

### Termy winners so far!

Well done, Wrekin!

## DATES FOR THE DIARY

<b>Date</b>	<b>Event</b>
Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> December	February Half Term Holiday Club - Bookings open
Friday 19 <sup>th</sup> January	Dental Nurses visiting Reception – postponed to February – date to be confirmed
Tuesday 30 <sup>th</sup> January	Firefighters visiting Reception
Friday 2 <sup>nd</sup> February	February Half Term Holiday Club – Bookings close
Friday 9 <sup>th</sup> February	PD Day – Open for wrap around holiday club
Monday 12 <sup>th</sup> February	Half Term – Open for wrap around holiday club
Monday 11 <sup>th</sup> March – Friday 22 <sup>nd</sup> March	Learning Conference Fortnight – details to follow
Wednesday 20 <sup>th</sup> March	Year 4 visit to Wroxeter
Monday 25 <sup>th</sup> March	Easter Holidays
Monday 8 <sup>th</sup> April	Summer term begins
Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> May	Bank holiday
Friday 24 <sup>th</sup> May	PD Day
Monday 27 <sup>th</sup> May	Half Term
Monday 22 <sup>nd</sup> July	PD Day
Tuesday 23 <sup>rd</sup> July	Summer holidays